

SOLOMON'S SIX WINNING PRINCIPLES FOR YOUR CAREER

What the Bible says about work – Part 3

Helpful books used in the preparation of today's message: *"The Joy of Working,"* by Denis Waitley and Reni Witt, Ballantine Books. *"The Wisdom of Solomon at Work: Ancient Virtues for Living and Leading Today,"* by Charles Manz, Berrett-Koehler Publishers. *"The Richest Man Who Ever Lived: King Solomon's Secrets to Success, Wealth, and Happiness,"* by Steven Scott, Doubleday Business. *"The Solomon Secrets: 10 Keys to Extraordinary Success from Proverbs,"* by Robert Jeffress, Waterbrook Press.

Proverbs 16:3 –

"Commit your work to the Lord, then it will succeed." (Living)

Proverbs 3:6 –

"In everything you do, put God first, and he will direct you and crown your efforts with success." (Living)

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1. WORK WITH _____

Proverbs 17:24 – *"An intelligent person aims at wise action, but a fool starts off in many directions."* (Today's English)

Proverbs 13:16 – *"A wise man thinks ahead; a fool doesn't and even brags about it!"* (Living)

Proverbs 21:5 – *"The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty."*

2. INSIST ON _____

Proverbs 10:9 – “The man of integrity walks securely, but he who takes crooked paths will be found out.”

Proverbs 21:6 – “Dishonest gain will never last, so why take the risk?” (Living)

Proverbs 12:3 – “Wickedness never brings real success; only the godly have that.” (Living)

Proverbs 16:11 – “The Lord demands fairness in every business deal. He established this principle.” (Living)

3. NEVER _____

Proverbs 22:13 – “The lazy man is full of excuses. ‘I can’t go to work!’ he says. ‘If I go outside, I might meet a lion in the street and be killed!’” (Living)

Proverbs 14:23 – “Work brings profit; talk brings poverty!” (Living)

Ecclesiastes 5:7 – “Dreaming instead of doing is foolishness...” (Living)

Proverbs 13:4 – “Lazy people want much but get little, while the diligent are prospering.” (Living)

4. NEVER STOP _____

Proverbs 15:14 – “Intelligent people want to learn, but stupid people are satisfied with ignorance.” (Today’s English)

Proverbs 18:15 – “The intelligent man is always open to new ideas. In fact, he looks for them.” (Living)

Sources of Learning

[1] _____

Proverbs 13:13 – “Despise God’s Word and find yourself in trouble. Obey it and succeed.” (Living)

[2] _____

Proverbs 15:22 – “*Get all the advice you can, and you will succeed; without it you will fail.*” (TEV)

[3] _____

Proverbs 13:18 – “*...if you accept criticism, you are on the road to fame.*” (Living)

[4] _____

Proverbs 28:13 – “*A man who refuses to admit his mistakes can never be successful. But if he confesses and forsakes them, he gets another chance.*” (Living)

5. ECONOMIZE YOUR _____

Ecclesiastes 8:6 – “*There is a right time and a right way to do everything, but we know so little!*” (Today's English)

Ecclesiastes 10:10 – “*If the ax is dull and its edge unsharpened, more strength is needed but skill will bring success.*”

6. RESOLVE TO _____

Proverbs 22:29 – “*Do you know a hard-working man? He shall be successful and stand before kings!*” (Living)

Proverbs 24:16 – “*For though a righteous man falls seven times, he rises again...*”